

WO-105  
Dr. John S. Aydelotte House  
Snow Hill  
Private

c. 1835

The Dr. John S. Aydelotte house is an important early nineteenth-century dwelling that stands along East Market Street in the heart of Snow Hill. The two-and-a-half story frame house was built around 1835 for Levin Townsend, a prominent land owner who also had business interests in Snow Hill. Levin Townsend married Elizabeth Porter on October 23, 1839, and the couple is listed in the 1850 U. S. Census for Worcester County. Their daughter, Priscilla, married George M. Upshur, and the Upshurs evidently occupied the town residence during the mid nineteenth century. In 1860 Levin Townsend died, and his will directed that the Market Street house should be awarded to his grandson, James W. Upshur, then eighteen years old. Nine years later, in May 1869, James W. Upshur sold his grandparent's property, identified as "Lot 26," to William James Aydelotte. Evidently, during the next decade William Aydelotte financed a remodeling of the frame house in Victorian taste with the rebuilding of the roof. Cross gables were centered on the main house as well as the east end wing, and patterned slate was used to cover the structure. Dr. John S. Aydelotte occupied the house during the 1870s for he is located on the 1877 Snow Hill town map. John S. Aydelotote, however, did not gain title to the property until his father's death in 1897. During the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries Dr. Aydelotte was one of the most prominent physicians in Snow Hill.

The most significant architectural features of the house include the sidelighted front entrance with unusual Ionic columns highlighting the

doorway in addition to the original woodwork inside. Distinctive to this house are the acorn shaped finials in the east end wing and on the second floor.

It appears from a chain of title for this lot that Levin Townsend acquired "Lot 26" in a purchase of land from Worcester County sheriff, James Powell, in March 1827. James Powell was empowered to sell the lands involved in the bankruptcy settlement of the Farmers Bank of Somerset and Worcester. The bank had acquired "Lot 26" as well as part of "Lot 24" in May 1814, and the institution presumably operated in Snow Hill between 1814 and its financial failure in 1827. The location or appearance of the bank building is uncertain. Late in November 1834, fire destroyed the center portion of Snow Hill including Levin Townsend's house, presumably standing on "Lot 26" at the time. From the architectural details of the house he built the extant structure shortly afterwards. In more recent years the house has been converted to a bed and breakfast inn.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common JOHN S. AYDELOTTE HOUSE, SNOW HILL INN

### 2. Location

street & number 104 East Market Street        not for publicationcity, town Snow Hill        vicinity of        congressional district Firststate Maryland        county Worcester

### 3. Classification

<b>Category</b>	<b>Ownership</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Present Use</b>	
<u>      </u> district	<u>      </u> public	<u>  X  </u> occupied	<u>      </u> agriculture	<u>      </u> museum
<u>  X  </u> building(s)	<u>  X  </u> private	<u>      </u> unoccupied	<u>  X  </u> commercial	<u>      </u> park
<u>      </u> structure	<u>      </u> both	<u>      </u> work in progress	<u>      </u> educational	<u>      </u> private residence
<u>      </u> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<u>      </u> entertainment	<u>      </u> religious
<u>      </u> object	<u>      </u> in process	<u>  X  </u> yes: restricted	<u>      </u> government	<u>      </u> scientific
	<u>      </u> being considered	<u>      </u> yes: unrestricted	<u>      </u> industrial	<u>      </u> transportation
	<u>  X  </u> not applicable	<u>      </u> no	<u>      </u> military	<u>      </u> other:

### 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Beacon Enterprises

street &amp; number 104 East Market Street telephone no.: 632-2102

city, town Snow Hill state and zip code MD 21863

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Clerk of Court liber

street &amp; number Worcester County Courthouse folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Historic Sites Inventory

date 1967        federal   X   state        county        local

repository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Annapolis state MD 21401

## 7. Description

Survey No. W0-105

### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☒ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Dr. John S. Aydelotte house stands at 104 East Market Street in the center of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland. The two-story-and-a-half story five-bay house faces northwest with the principal gable oriented on a northeast/southwest axis.

Built around 1825, the two-story-and-a-half story main block is supported by a common bond brick foundation with an excavated cellar. The house has been uniformly sheathed with vinyl siding, and it is covered by a steeply pitched patterned slate roof. Attached to the northeast gable end of the main house is a contemporary story-and-a-half frame wing. Extending to the rear are later nineteenth- and twentieth-century additions. Within the past few years the house has been converted to a bed-and-breakfast inn. Stretching across the front of the property is a decorative iron fence that retains Dr. Aydelotte's name plate.

The north (main) elevation of the front block is a symmetrical five-bay facade with a center sidelighted entrance. The replacement six-panel front door is framed by a half-round fluted columns to each side of the diamond shaped muntin sidelights. Each diamond shaped muntin is enhanced by a delicate ellipse that is incorporated within the diamond. Fixed atop the columns to each side of the seven-light transom are unusual blocks fitted with Ionic capitals. To each side of the entrance are pairs of two-over-two sash windows that are hung with louvered shutters. The second floor is pierced by five evenly spaced six-over-six sash windows that are also framed by louvered shutters, and a closed shutter Gothic arch opening marks the center cross gable. Piercing the foundation wall of the main house are four window openings that are protected by diamond cross-sectioned horizontal bars.

The southwest gable end of the main house is lighted by nine-over-six sash windows on the first floor, whereas six-over-six sash windows illuminate the second floor. Smaller sized six-over-six sash windows pierce the uppermost gable end to each side of the interior end brick chimney. The eaves are extended beyond the wall surface, and are finished at the base with returns.

The northeast gable end of the main block is covered largely by a story-and-a-half frame wing that is contemporary with the main block. The frame wing is a three-bay by one-room structure that follows similar details found with the main block. A partially glazed front door marks the western bay, while a pair of two-over-two sash windows illuminate the first floor. A cross-gable, centered on the slate roof, is pierced by a pointed arch sash window. A pair of cellar grills define the wing foundation as well. Rising against the north end is a five-course common bond brick stack with a corbelled shoulder and base. An adjacent bulkhead entrance provides access to the cellar, and six-over-six sash windows light the second floor. The back of the wing is partially covered by later additions, but an early gabled dormer remains lighting the loft.

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## 8. Significance

Survey No. WO-105

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Dr. John S. Aydelotte house is an important early nineteenth-century dwelling that stands along East Market Street in the center of Snow Hill, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story frame house was built clearly around 1825 with its late federal style stairs, mantels, and nine-over-six sash windows. During the second half of the nineteenth century the house was owned by Dr. John S. Aydelotte, a prominent Snow Hill physcian, who financed a reworking of the exterior in Victorian taste about the time of the Civil War. Included in the renovation was the reshaping of the roofs with extended eaves and center cross gables as well as layers of patterned slate. Gothic arched windows were added to cross gables and long two-over-two sash windows across the first floor front were introduced to strengthen the change in appearance. Dr. Aydelotte erected also a metal fence, and the gate still carries his name plate. Dr. Aydelotte's house, now the Snow Hill Inn, is a significant representation of a major early nineteenth-century dwelling that was reworked forty years after initial construction to fit alternative Victorian designs. Aside from a dining room addition across the back of the house the building has not changed significantly since the Civil War.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. WO-105

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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B 

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian

organization Worcester County date 4/28/88

street & number Worcester County Courthouse telephone 632-1194

city or town Snow Hill state MD 21863

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust  
Shaw House  
21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 269-2438

Dr. John S. Aydelotte house description (continued)

The interior is traditionally divided with a center stair hall and a room to each side. The north wing follows a side hall/parlor plan. In the wing the room was probably used as an office or bedroom rather than a parlor. The center hall contains a federal style stair with a turned newel post, slender turned balusters, and a slight oval-profile handrail. The step-ends are trimmed with a decorative scroll, and the area below the stringer is plastered. A small six-panel door provides access to the cellar stair. The four-panel doors that open into the adjacent rooms are framed by fluted surrounds with bulls-eye corner blocks. The hall is fitted with a stepped baseboard molding as well.

South of the hall is the parlor which is trimmed with similar moldings around the doors and windows. The fluted window surrounds reach the floor, however the window apron is plastered. Fixed to the chimney breast is a late federal style mantel with fluted pilasters and a raised panel frieze. The frieze blocks above each pilaster are decorated with a fluted oval lozenge set within a clipped corner panel. The mantel shelf rests atop a series of graduated stepped bed moldings.

The dining room north of the hall is similarly treated with late federal style finishes. The federal mantel is complemented by early nineteenth-century chair rail and a stepped baseboard molding. A four-panel door in the rear corner opens into the center hall, and another paneled door opens into the kitchen. Old nine-over-six sash windows in both the parlor remain along the rear wall.

Next to the dining room is the northend wing with a side stair hall and second stair. The open-string stair rises in two flights with slender turned newel posts topped with acorn shaped finials. Two rectangular balusters to each spread support a molded handrail. Each landing post is finished with the same acorn finial. The step ends are trimmed with a scrolled decoration. A raised six-panel door with a iron box lock and deadbolt opens into a closet beneath the stair. The hall is also trimmed with a plain early nineteenth-century chair rail and baseboard. The room immediately adjacent is finished with contemporary woodwork. The federal style mantel is defined by semi-detached columns, projecting frieze blocks with inset panels, and stepped mantel shelf. The four-panel doors are framed by fluted surrounds with plain corner blocks, and chair rail and baseboard trim the perimeter of the room. A bathroom has been added to the back of the room.

The second floor of the main house is divided in the same way with a center hall and flanking rooms. Fixed in the north corner of the hall is the attic stair that carries the same newel and acorn finial as the north wing stair. The stringer is scrolled in the same way as well. A two-panel door opens into the stair closet.

The adjacent bedrooms are simply finished. Fixed to the chimney breast in the southwest bedroom is a straightforward late federal mantel with fluted pilasters, a plain frieze, and a board shelf. A modern bathroom and closets have been added along the rear wall. The northwest bedroom includes a small fireplace and a double door nineteenth-century closet.

Double six-panel doors are framed by bulls-eye block surrounds. South of the northwest bedroom is a narrow hall that leads to the north wing. A pair of modern bathrooms have been installed on the south side of the passage.

The north wing is fitted with early nineteenth-century features included four-panel or two-panel doors that open into closets or the two bedrooms. Clearly visible in the north bedroom is a shift in the flooring from the wide pine of the original room and the narrow boards laid down when the cross gable replaced the older style dormer.



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JOHN S. AYDELOTTE HOUSE (SNOW HILL INN)  
Chain of title

WCL 1048/136                      Joseph W. Lescavage, Jr.  
Stephanie A. Lescavage

to

12/20/1984                      Brian W. Kelly, et. al.  
Beacon Enterprises

F.W.H. 512/503                      Roll A. Sullivan  
Mary Beth Sullivan

to

12/27/1972                      Joseph W. Lescavage

F.W.H. 378/438                      Cyrus Finley  
Genevieve E. Finley

to

12/27/1972                      Roll A. Sullivan  
Mary Beth Sullivan

F.W.H. 297/452                      John A. Mapp and  
George Walter Mapp, Jr.

to

12/15/1970                      Cyrus Finley  
Genevieve E. Finley

"Being the same property known as  
the Dr. John S. Aydelotte residence  
property," descended unto his widow  
Delia F. Aydelotte and his daughter  
Mildred A. Mapp, only child  
Dr. John S. Aydelotte died 1929  
Delia F. Aydelotte died 1936

Will Book                      Last will and testament of William J.  
Aydelotte

Written                      to son, John S. house and lot in Snow  
9/18/1896                      Hill where he now resides  
Proved 2/25/1897

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DR. JOHN S. AYDELOTTE HOUSE  
Chain of title

2

GHR 3/601

James W. Upshur

to

5/11/1869

William James Aydelotte

all that real estate devised by last  
will and testament of Levin Townsend to  
James W. Upshur lying and being situated  
on Market Street in Snow Hill Lots 26  
& 47

Will Book  
T.T./308

Will of Levin Townsend

Written  
7/28/1860

to grandson, James W. Upshur

Proved  
8/7/1860

all that house & lot on Market St. in  
now occupied by Dr. George M. Upshur

1850 United States Census for Worcester County

Levin Townsend, 57 farmer  
Elizabeth Porter Townsend, 58

George Upshur, 30 merchant  
Priscilla Townsend Upshur, 30

James Upshur, 9  
Levin " , 7  
George " , 3  
John " , 10 months

Levin Townsend married Elizabeth Porter, October 23, 1839

1860 United States Census for Worcester County

Levin Townsend, 68 farmer Real Estate 13,500 P.P., 11,000  
Elizabeth " , 70,

George M. Upshur, 40, physician  
Sophia " , 38  
James " , 18  
Levin " , 15  
George " , 14  
John " , 12  
Susan " , 7  
Rosa " , 4

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DR. JOHN S. AYDELOTTE HOUSE (SNOW HILL INN)  
Chain of title

G.M.H. 1/378

John P. Robins and Margaret  
his wife

to

5/28/1838

Levin Townsend

\$100. Lot 47 except the garden and  
yard reserved by said John P. Robins  
as now enclosed and binding upon  
Federal Street

AY/206  
Lease

Moses C. Smith

to

6/16/1832

Levin Townsend

"all that portion or parcel of ground  
and premises situate lying...in said  
town of Snow Hill on a Lot which he  
the said Moses purchased from a certain  
David K. Hopkins and a certain Rhoda  
Bishop between a house occupied by a  
certain Edward Dymock as a Dwelling  
and the Tavern House of said Moses...  
within the following metes and bounds,  
fronting an Alley commonly called  
Cutlers Alley in said Town...with all  
the singular rights and appertenances to  
and for th said Levin to erect a Building  
to be used fro the purpose of carrying on  
the business of Merchandize...

AS/374

James Powell, Sheriff of Worcester  
County

to

3/13/1827

Levin Townsend

\$142.00 5 acres

whereas June 5, 1826 the President and  
Directors & Company of the Bank of  
Pennsylvania by judgement of the same

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DR. JOHN S. AYDELOTTE HOUSE (SNOW HILL INN)

Chain of title

court recovered against the  
President & Directors of the Farmers  
Bank of Somerset and Worcester late  
of Worcester County as well the sum  
of \$60,000 current money for their  
damages...

Lot No. 7 as well as other lands

Note: Evidently Levin Townsend acquired Lot No. 26 at the  
bankruptcy of the Bank of Somerset and Worcester County  
but the deed has not been located.

AE/117

Levin Dirickson of Worcester County

to

5/18/1814

President and Directors of the Farmers  
Bank of Somerset and Worcester

--tracts called "Troublesome" and  
"No End to Trouble" 212 acres

--Also a part of Dennis's Discovery  
152 acres

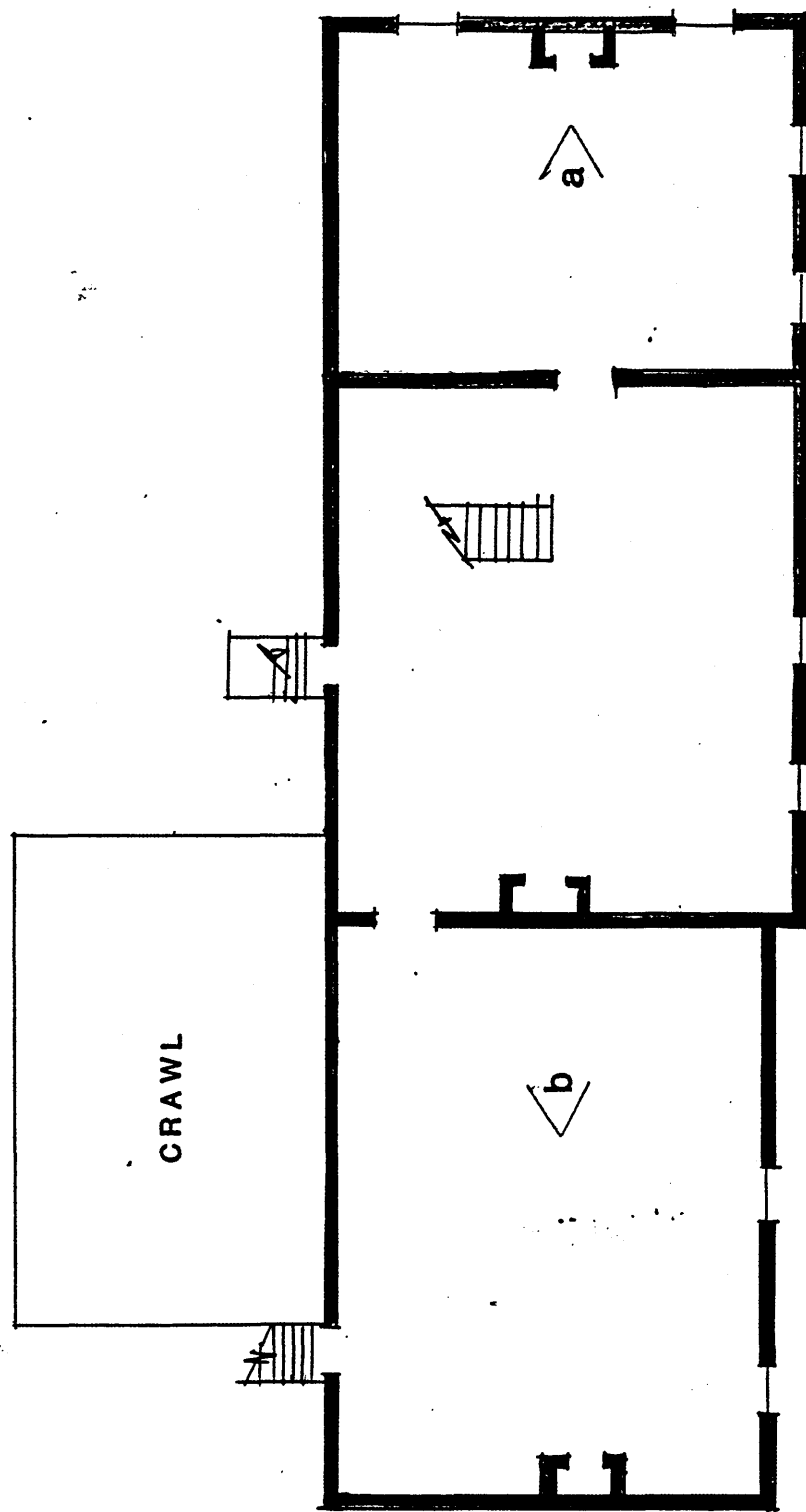
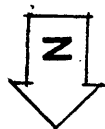
--Also one Lott in the Town of Snow  
Hill called and known as Lott No. 26  
together with part of Lott in the  
Town of Snow Hill with the store house  
on the same called and known as Lott  
Lott No. 24

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# SNOW HILL INN

KELLY  
CLAYTON &  
MOJIZEK  
2508 North Calvert Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

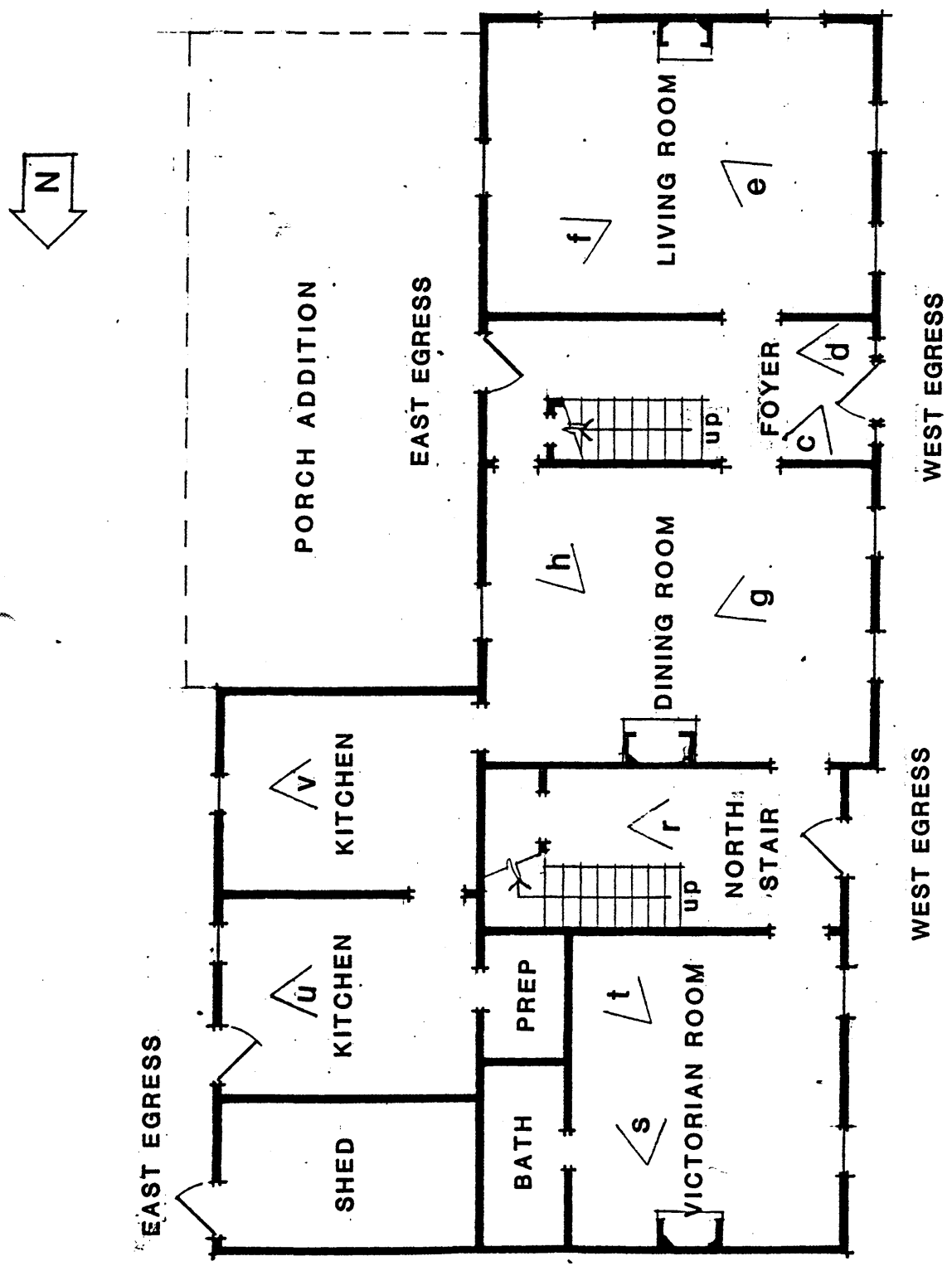
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KELLY  
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Baltimore, Maryland 21213

# SNOW HILL INN

## FIRST FLOOR



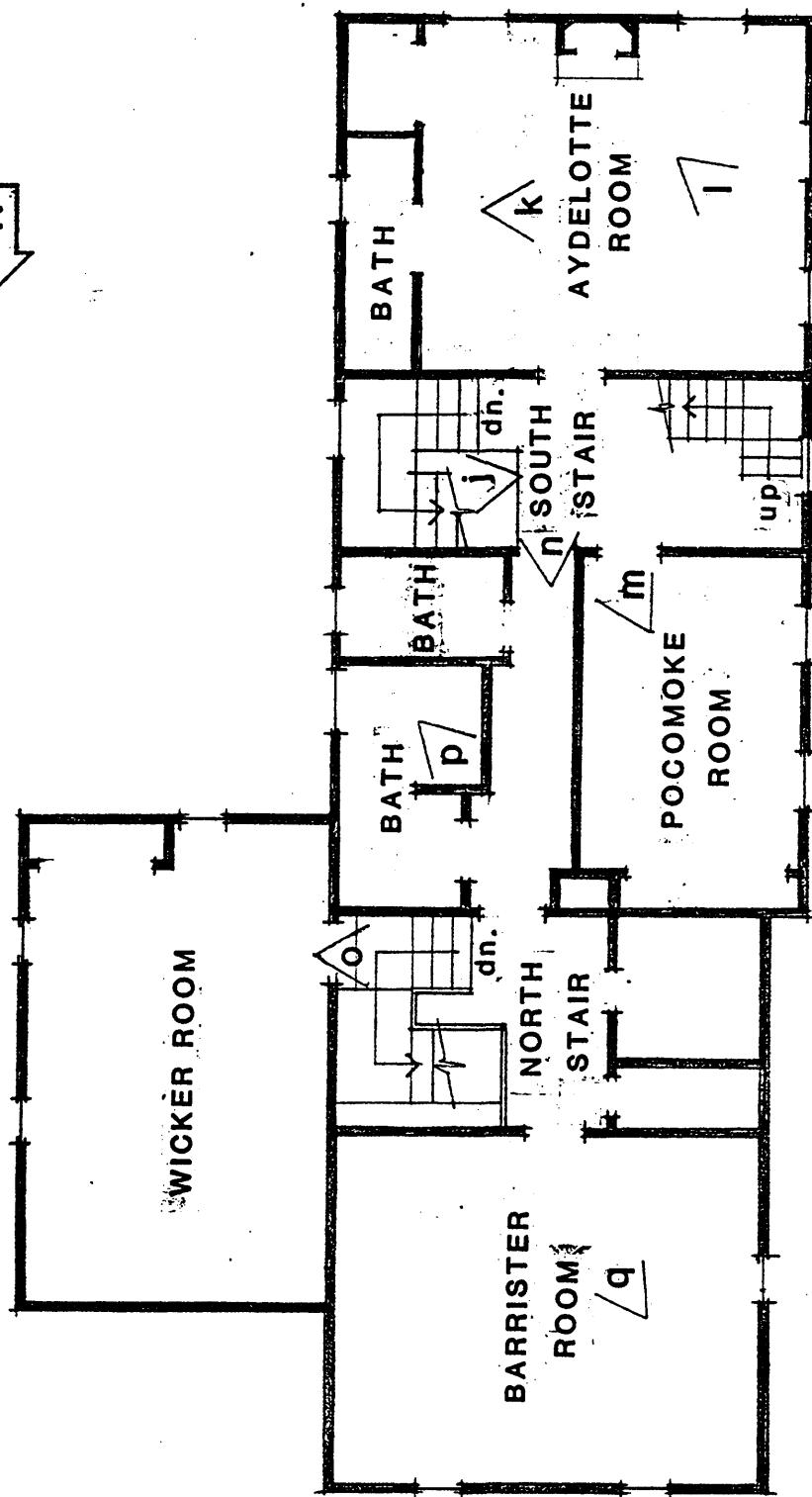
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# SNOW HILL INN

## SECOND FLOOR

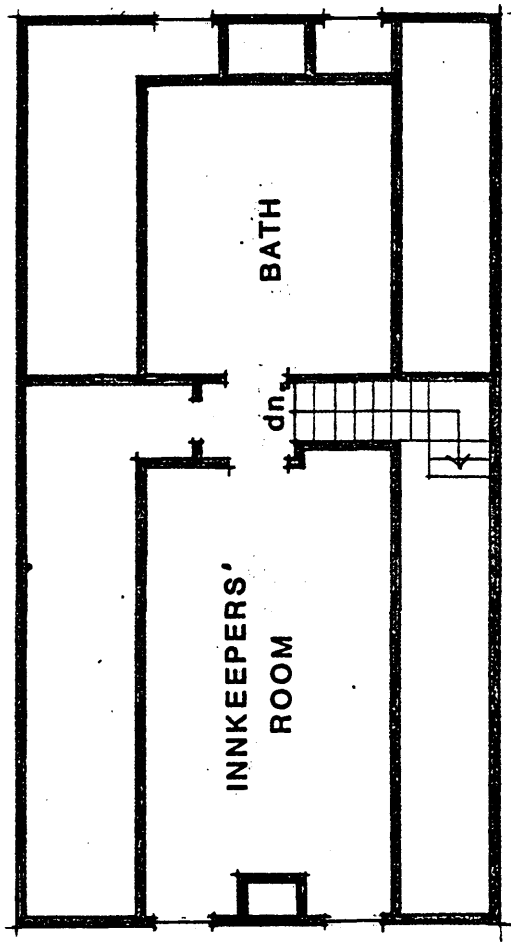
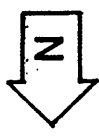
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Baltimore, Maryland 21215

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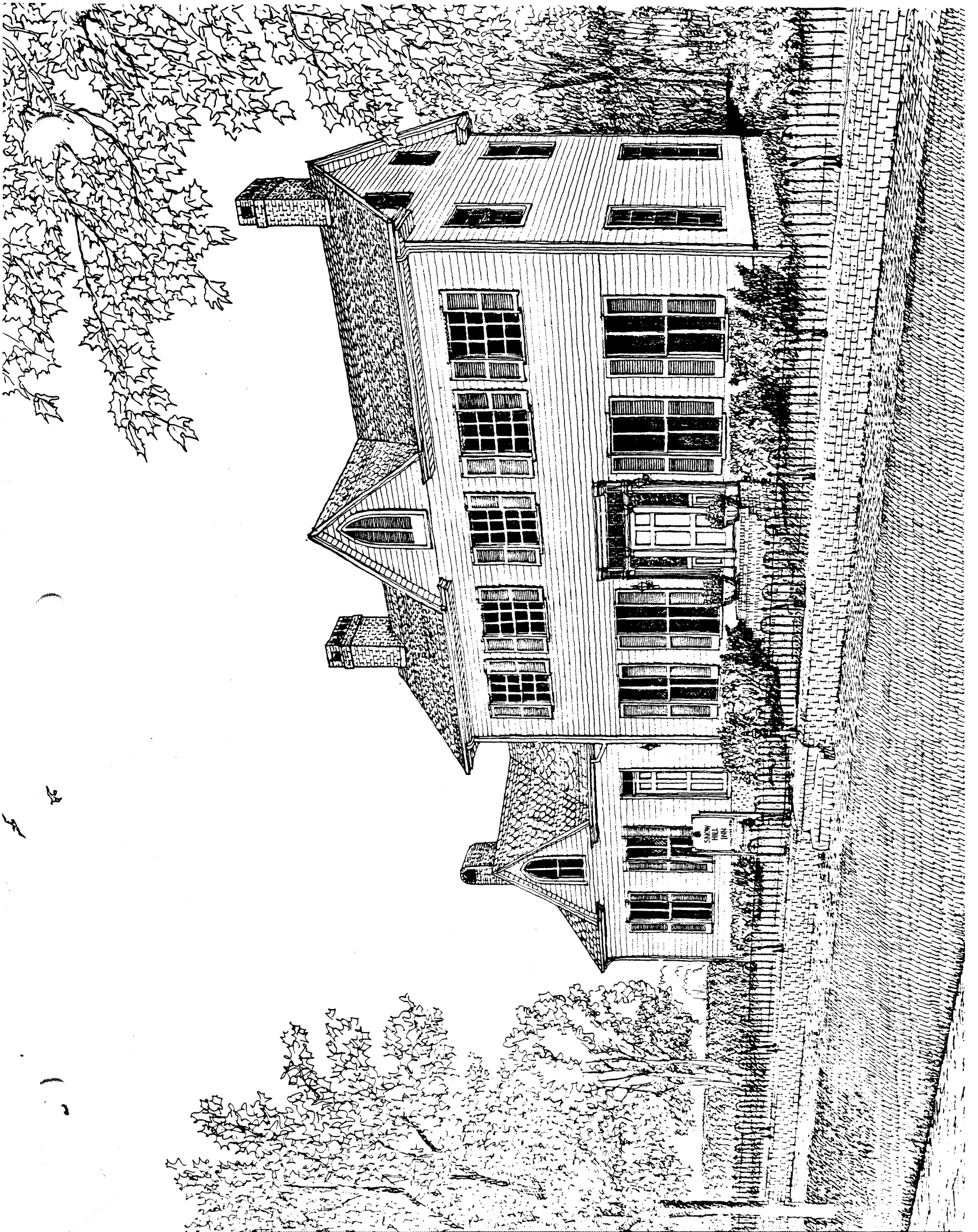
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Baltimore, Maryland 21218

# SNOW HILL INN


## ATTIC







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1. STATE <i>Maryland</i> COUNTY <i>Worcester</i> TOWN <i>Snow Hill</i> VICINITY STREET NO. <i>104 E. Market St.</i>  ORIGINAL OWNER ORIGINAL USE <i>dwelling</i> PRESENT OWNER <i>Mildred Mays</i> PRESENT USE <i>dwelling</i> WALL CONSTRUCTION <i>frame</i> NO. OF STORIES <i>2</i>		HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY <i>WO - 105</i>	
		2. NAME <i>104 E. Market St.</i>  DATE OR PERIOD <i>c. 1840</i> STYLE ARCHITECT BUILDER	
		3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE	
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC <i>NO</i>			
<p>104 East Market Street is a five-bay-long, two-story house with a three-bay, one-story wing. It appears to have been built around 1840, then remodeled at a later date with the addition of a gable in each "A" roof plus a decorative slate roof. The central door has sidelights and transom. There is a Victorian screened porch on first story with 'ginger-bread'. The windows of the second story have six over six sash and louvered shutters. In the main part of the house two chimneys rise through the roof within the gable walls but the chimney on the wing is entirely exposed.</p>			
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered <i>NO</i> Interior Exterior <i>fair</i>			
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>          6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)       </div> <div>         7. PHOTOGRAPH       </div> </div>			
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.		9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER <i>Michael Bourne</i> <i>Maryland Historical Trust</i>  DATE OF RECORD <i>July, 1969</i>	

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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OMB Approved  
No. 1024-0009  
Expires 8/31/86

HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION  
PART 1 - EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

RECEIVED

NPS Office Use Only

Project Number:

FEB 22 1988

Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Use typewriter or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach additional sheets.

1. Name of property: SNOW HILL INN, Adeyotttee House MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
Address of property: 104 E. Market Street  
City Snow Hill County Worcester State Md. Zip Code 21863  
Name of historic district: Snow Hill  
☐ National Register district ☐ certified state or local district ☒ potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:

- ☒ certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for the purpose of rehabilitation.  
☐ certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.  
☐ certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.  
☒ preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.  
☐ preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.  
☐ preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Authorized project contact:

Name Brian Kelly Title Architect  
Address 2508 N. Calvert St. City Baltimore  
State Md. Zip 21218 Telephone Number (during day): (301) 889-2613

4. Owner:

Name Beacon Enterprises  
Street 2508 N. Calvert Street City Baltimore  
State Md. Zip 21218 Telephone Number (during day): (301) 889-2613

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the above-named property.

Owner's Signature [Signature] Date 2/16/88

Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number 52-1220261

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application - Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.  
☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.  
☐ does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- ☐ appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.  
☐ does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.  
☒ appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.  
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.  
☐ does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

Date

National Park Service Authorized Signature

National Park Service Office

SNOW HILL INN

HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
CERTIFICATION APPLICATION—

NPS Office Use Only

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Property Name

104 E. Market St.; Snow Hill, Md. PART 1

Property Address

21863

Project Number:

#52-1220261

Owner Name/Social Security or Taxpayer ID Number

## 5. Description of physical appearance:

The building consists of 3 main parts:

1. Late 18th century 1½ story cabin.
2. Subsequent rear addition.
3. Middle 19th century 2½ story large frame addition.
4. Rear porch addition - 1970's scavenged materials.

The building is listed in the Historic Sites Inventory - Volume 2 - listing WRCS-105 on page 65 as "House, 104 East Market Street." In its present form, the house possesses many window door and trim types post and beam details, hand hewn rafters beams and stairrails. Some of the heart - pine floor boards are 18" wide. All interior moldings and fireplaces are original. Originally the building was a simple Georgian design and was altered with enlarged 2/2 first story windows, dormers with gothic arches and fancy slate roof.

Date of Construction: 1790 Source of Date: Basement construction, land records.

Date(s) of Alteration(s): Elements in transition from 1790-1850 and the present.

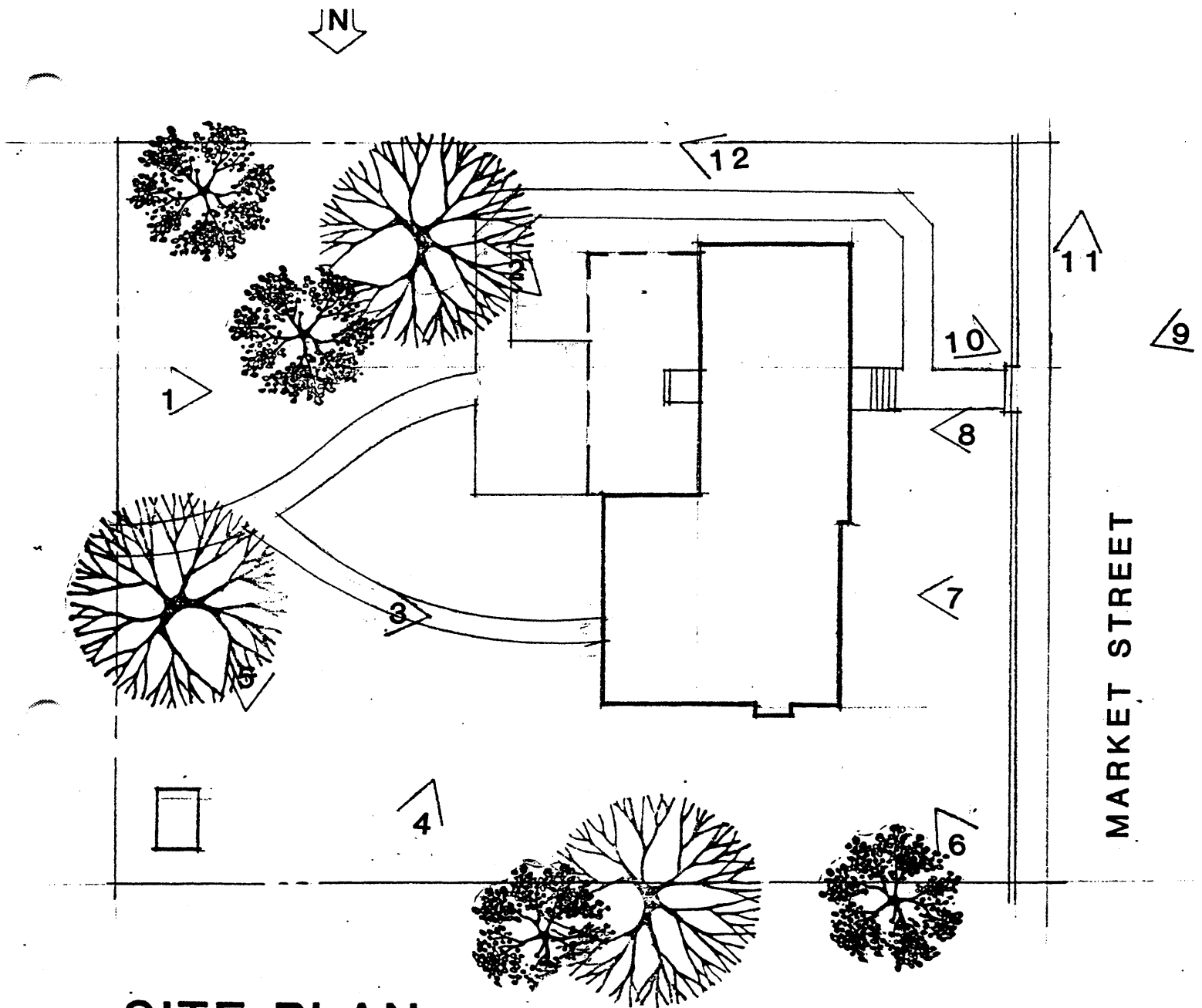
Has building been moved? ☐ yes ☒ no. If so, when?

6. Statement of significance: For a period of nearly fifty years, since the original Snow Hill Inn was burned the 300 year old County Seat of Worcester had no guest accomodation. In 1985, however the Adeloyttee House on 104 E. Market Street began a new life as the Snow Hill Inn with 7 guest rooms, modeled on the European bed and breakfast. During the recent drought years, the town has encouraged tourism to augment the agriculturally based economy. The owners made another extraordinary step to start tourism in Snow Hill by constructing a 70 seat full service resturant. The house in its past life was significant architecturally and historically to the county seat of Snow Hill. Dr. John S. Aydelotte, whose name is on the cast iron gate, owned the property in the late 19th century. The worn stair riser knicked by his rocking chair in the front hall is still marked. At one time the rear addition served as the Snow Hill Post Office. The basement interior doors are late 18th century with large strap hinges and wooden encased locks. The "kitchen" basement of the first section still has the trammel in the fireplace. There is also a secret passage with underground vault. Folklore has it that a child impaled himself on the spears of the front fence only to be aided by the good Dr. Aydelotte.

## 7. Photographs and maps.

Attach photographs and maps to application.

Continuation sheets attached: ☐ yes ☐ no

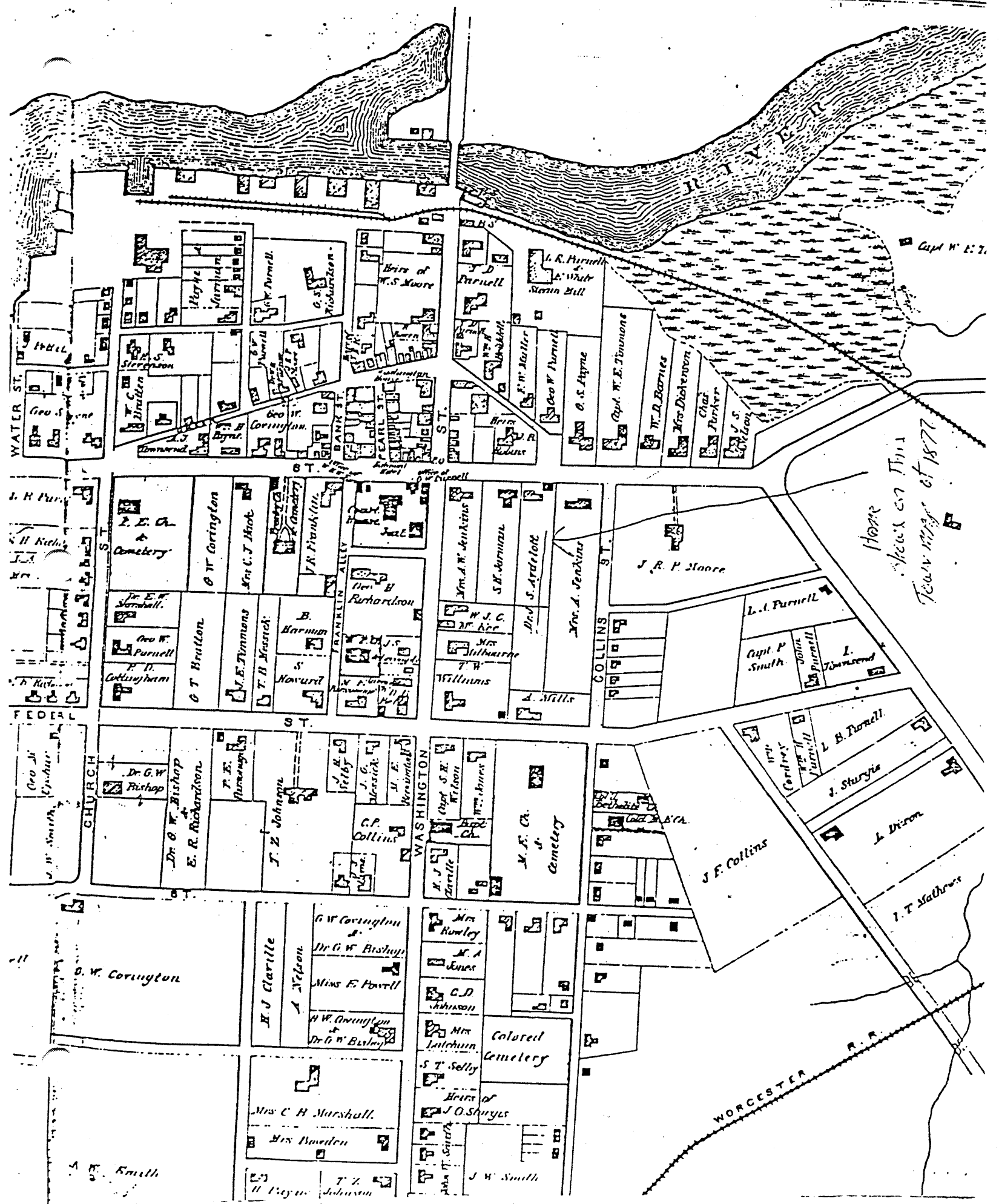


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# SNOW HILL INN

**KELLY  
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2508 North Calvert Street  
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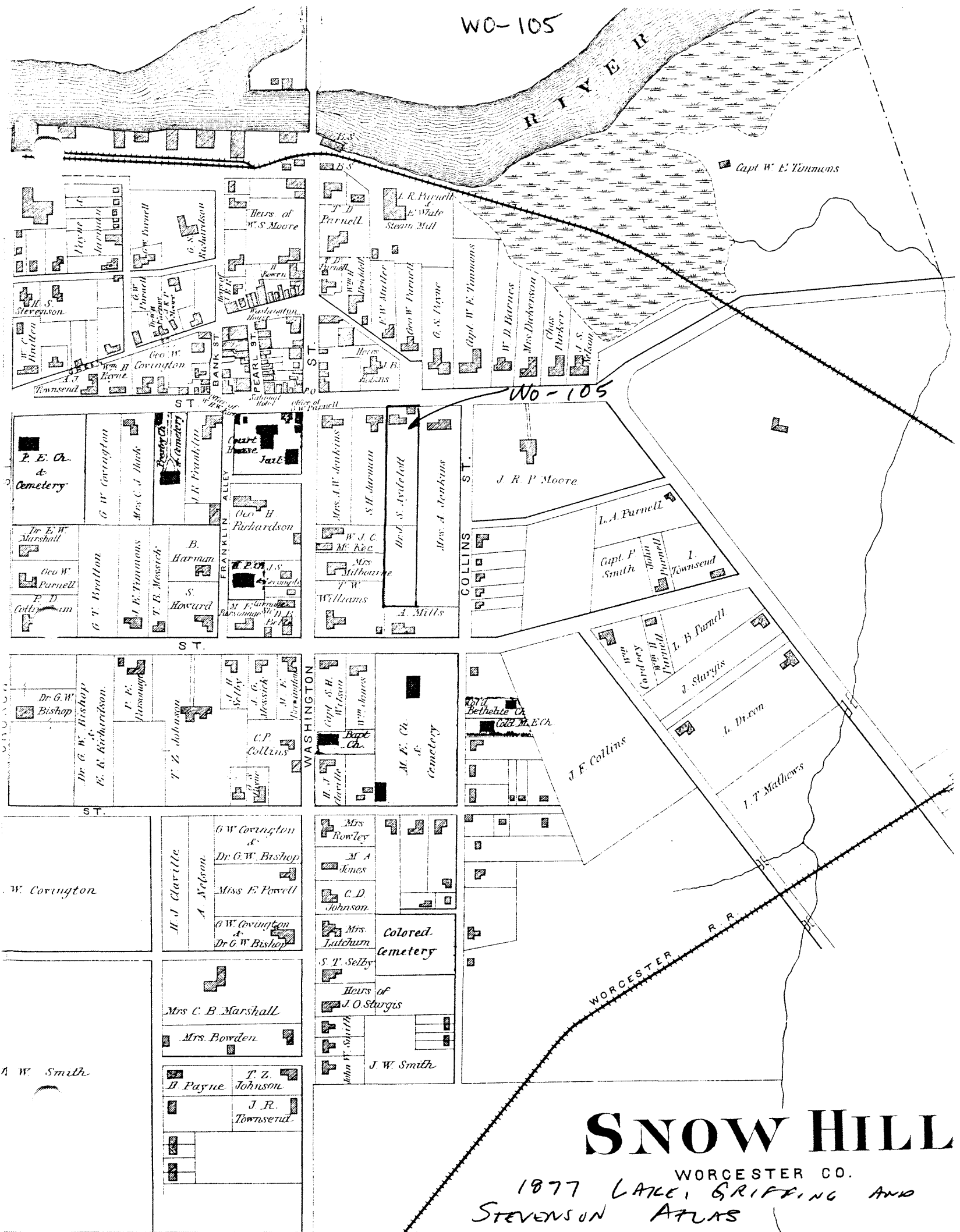


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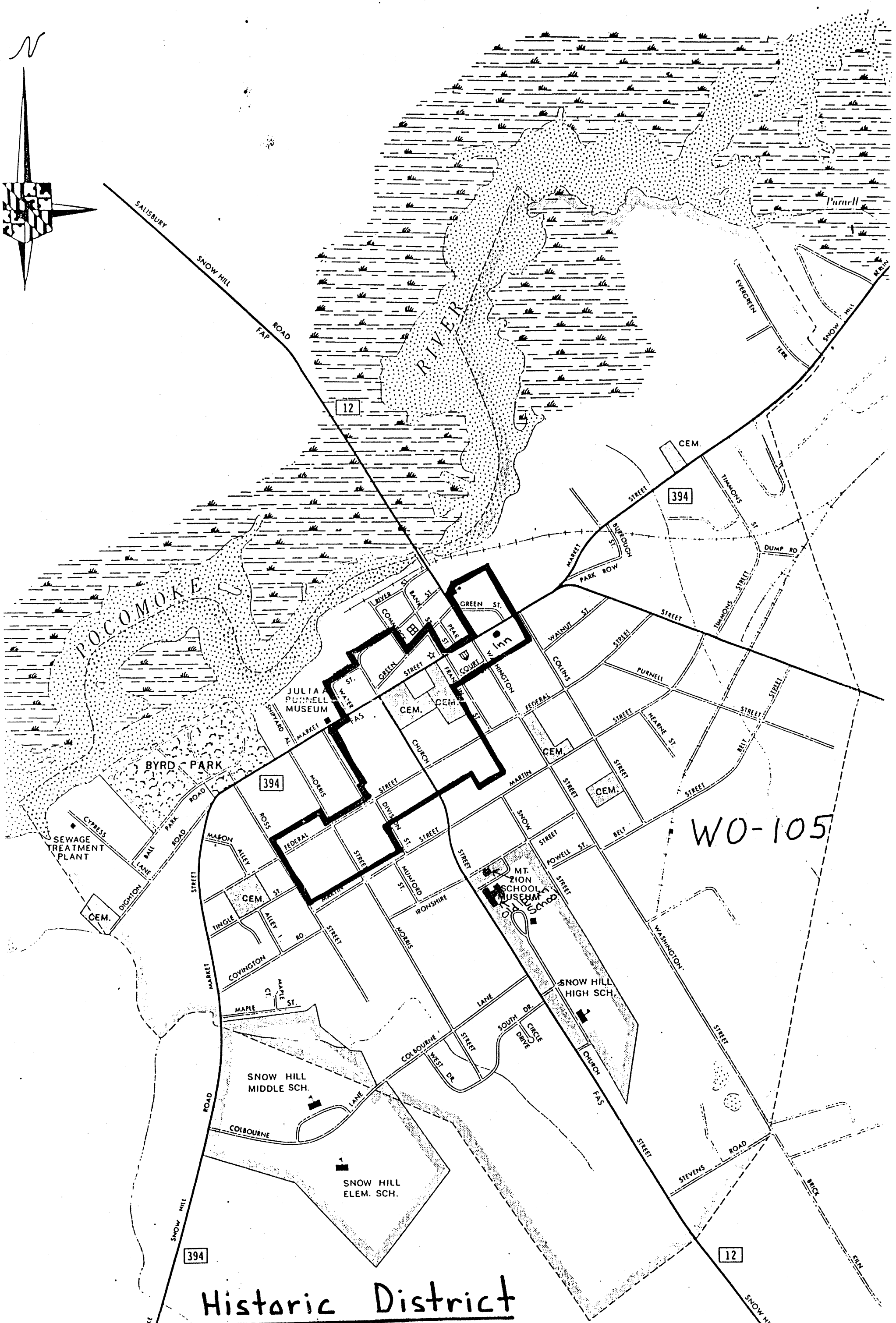
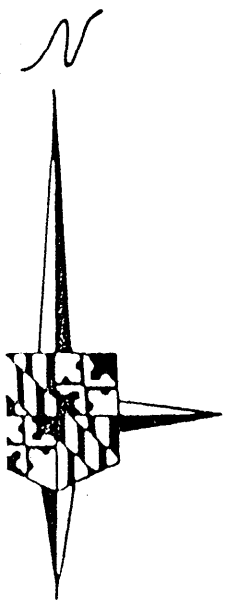


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1877 LAKE, GRIFFING AND STEVENSON ATLAS

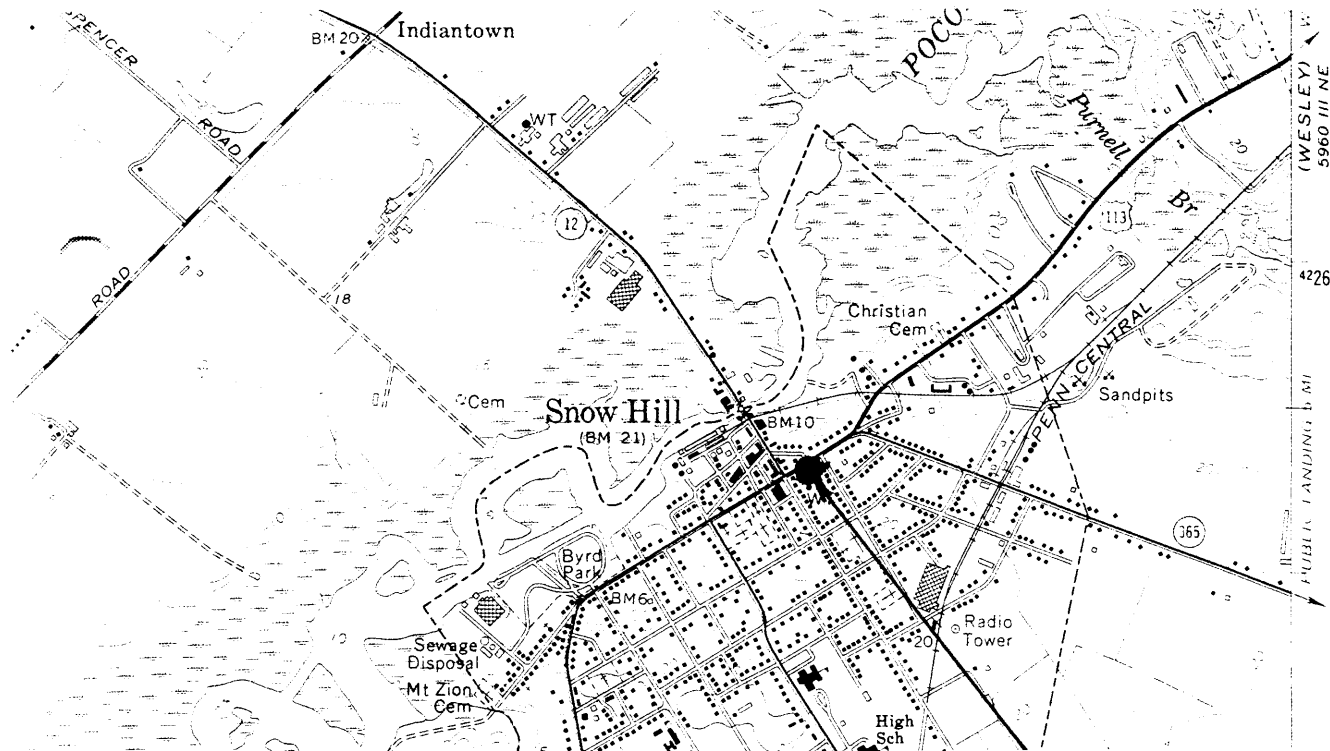




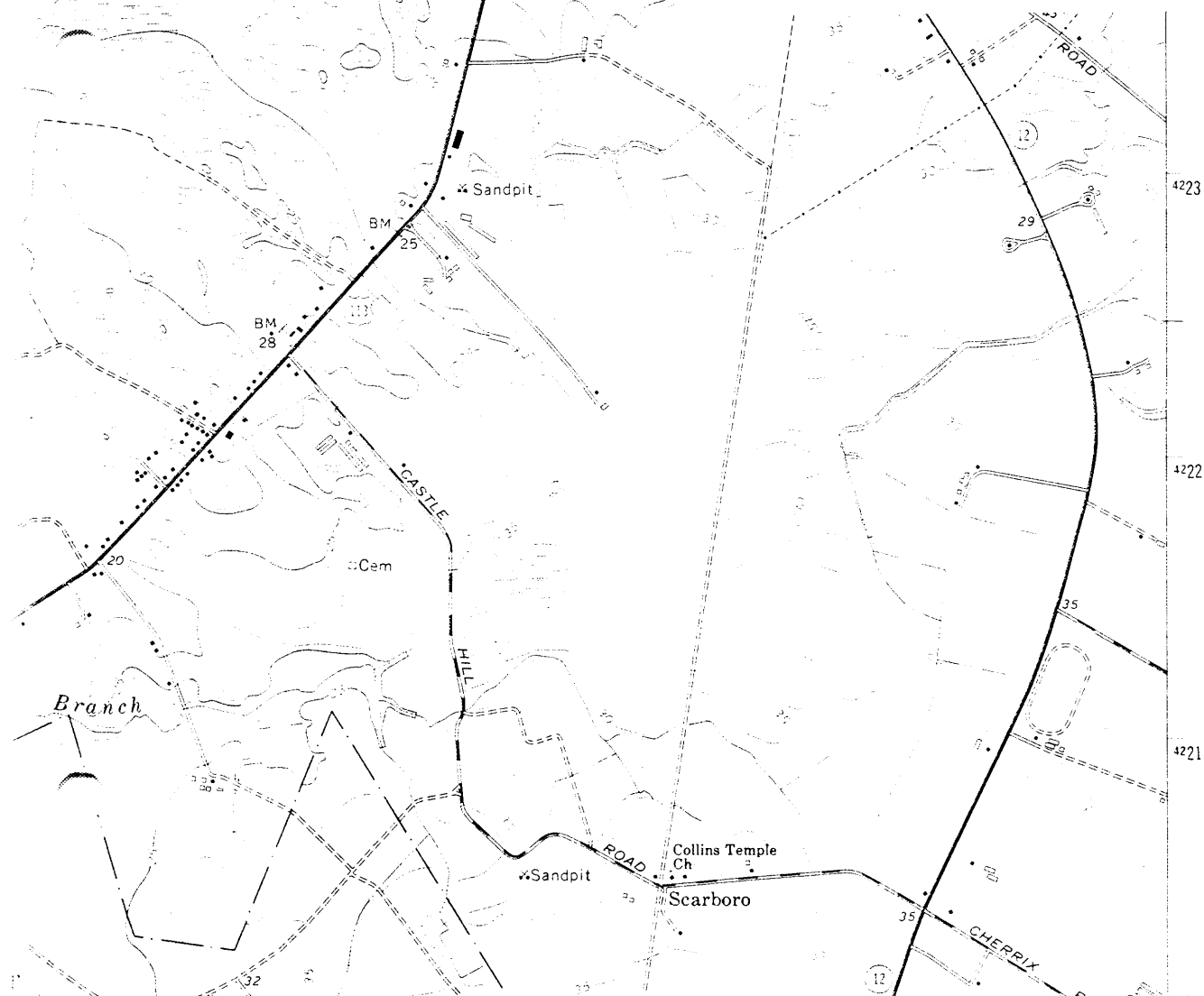
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 DR. JOHN S. AYDELOTTE HOUSE  
 Snow Hill Quadrangle, 1966





1. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
November, 1986  
East elevation (rear)  
of main house showing  
1½ story kitchen wing  
addition on right.



2. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
East elevation (rear)  
showing relationship  
of Kitchen wing to  
main house. Note  
covered entrance at  
rear door was constructed  
in 1970's of borrowed  
brick, 4 x 4 posts with  
Teco bases and trim from  
a demolished building  
in Virginia.



3. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
East elevation (rear)  
of Kitchen wing - Note  
entrance door to shed  
at right and kitchen  
door.



4. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
looking at northeast  
corner of building  
showing the relations  
of all 4 components of  
the structure:

1790 - cabin -Right  
background with dormer  
in roof.

Kitchen wing - 1½ story  
section in center former  
Snow Hill Post Office.

Shed - 1 story "lean to"  
in center of picture -  
note metal standing  
seam roof.

1860 - background, 2½  
story main house.



5. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Wood shed - note bricks  
which are from a demolish-  
ed house in Virginia.



6. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
View of northwest corner  
showing original cabin  
part of the house with  
exaggerated eaves and  
cornice, dormer and  
gothic window added  
during Victorian model-  
ization.

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7. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
West Elevation of 1½  
story cabin selection.



8. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
West Elevation of 2½  
story main house  
section.



9. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
West Elevation, Note  
Snow Hill Water Tower  
in the distance - Note  
also brick front retain-  
ing wall and fancy iron  
fence.



10. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
looking westward across  
Market Street on the  
right is WRCS - 107 and  
on the left is WRCS-106  
which is the north  
neighbor of the Snow Hill  
Inn.



11. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
looking southward  
down Market Street at  
commercial district and  
the only traffic light  
in Snow Hill. The Court-  
house is at the inter-  
section (hidden by trees).

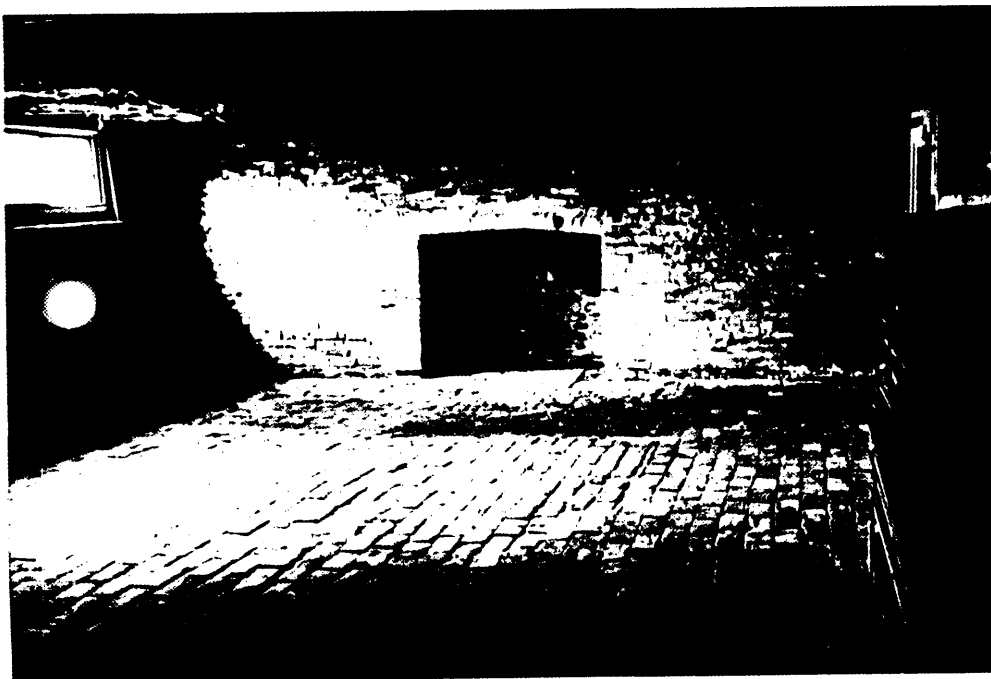


12. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
looking along the  
southern property line  
showing outhouse and  
canoe belonging to the  
neighboring Bates  
Methodist Church.

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A. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Cellar, showing south  
end fireplace 1860.



B. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Cellar, showing north  
end fireplace note  
trammel original  
Kitchen 1790



104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
First Floor, Foyer  
showing panel door and  
fancy sidelights and  
transom.



D. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
First Floor, Foyer  
showing main stairs  
and east egress door.



E. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
First Floor, Living  
Room looking south  
towards mantle.

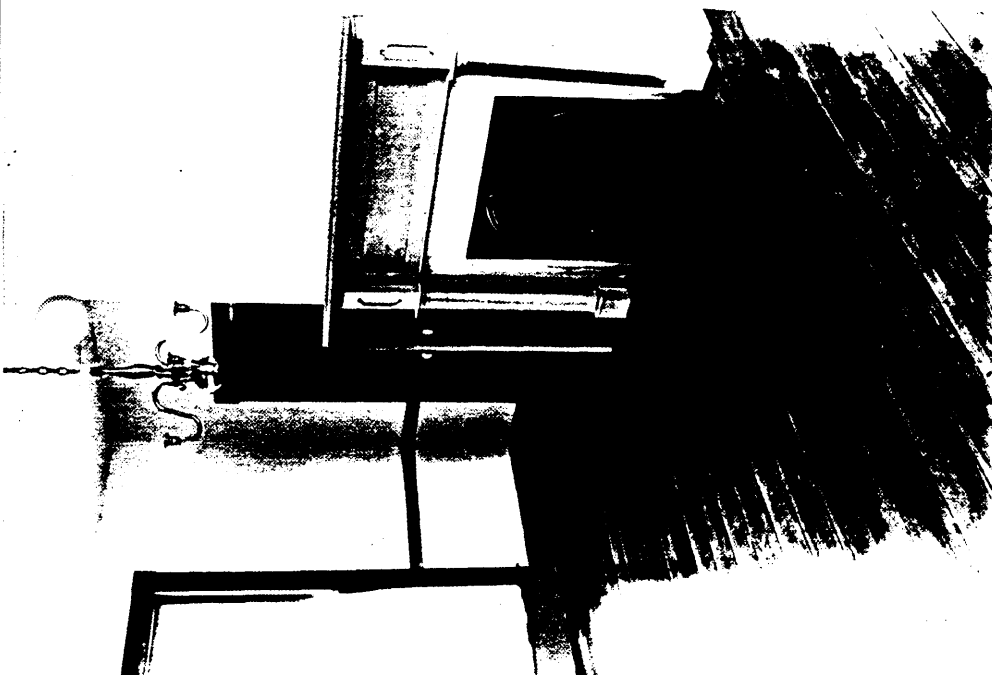


F. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
First Floor, Living  
room looking west  
toward 2/2 full length  
windows.

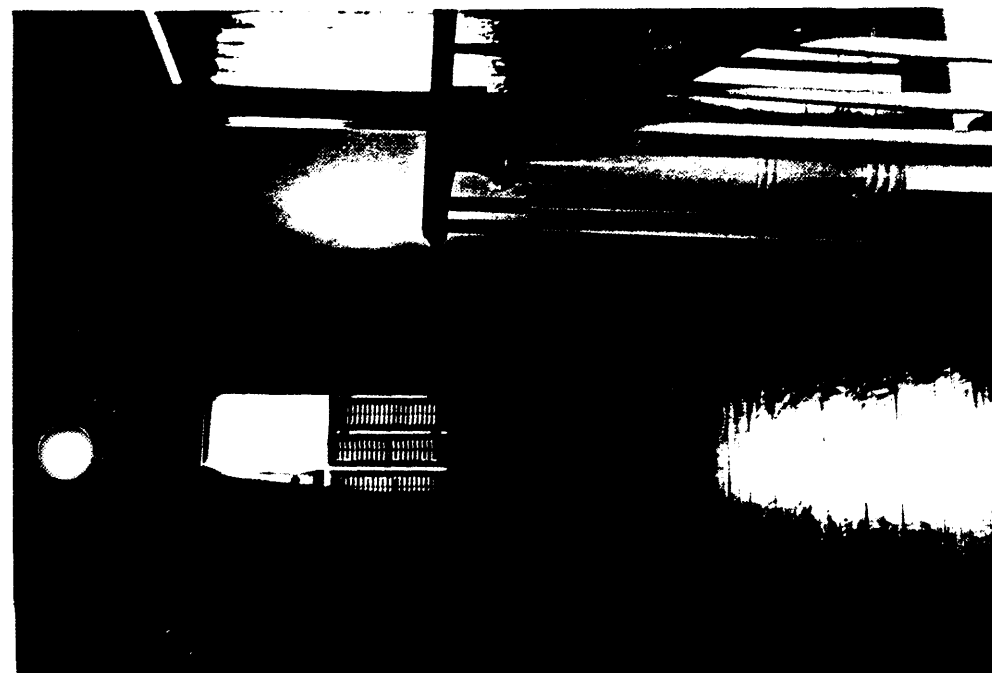
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G. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
First Floor, Dining  
Room showing wood mantel,  
brick hearth, cast iron  
surround, note chair  
rails and trim.



H. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
First Floor, Dining  
Room showing 2/2 full  
length windows.



I. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Second Floor, at top  
of South Stairway look-  
ing toward stair to  
attic note hand hewn  
walnut handrail.



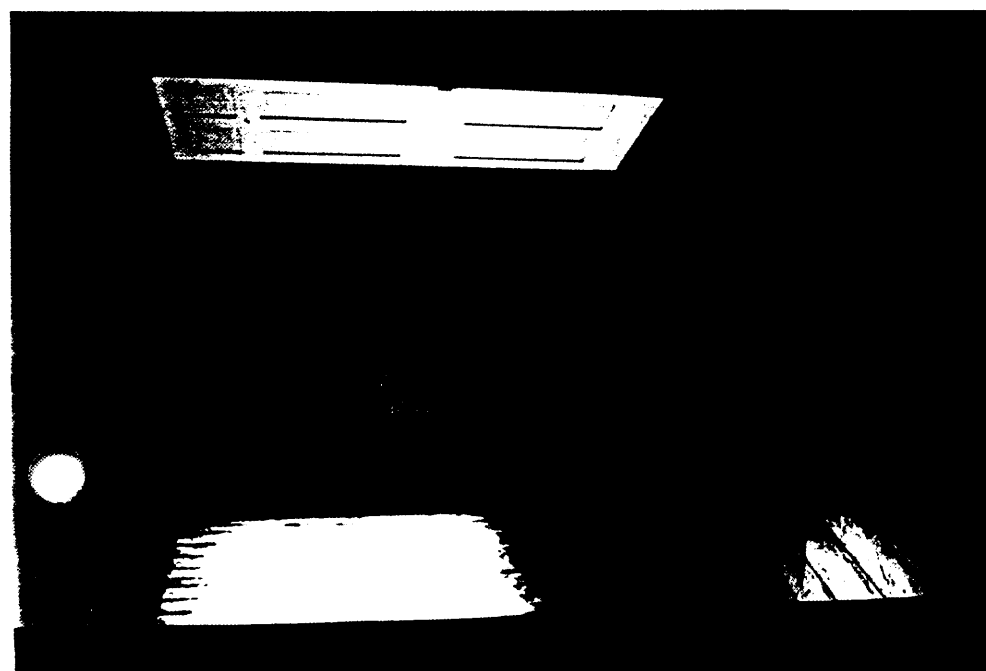
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K. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Second Floor, Aydelotte  
Room showing double  
closets added in 1970's  
prior to restoration  
and installation of  
bath. Note door hardware.



L. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Second Floor, Aydelotte  
Room showing fireplace



M. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Second Floor, Pocomoke  
Room - Note open closet  
door revealing clapboard  
of original 1790 cabin.

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N. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Looking from South  
Stair into Pokomoke  
Room entrance on left  
and Hallway on right.



O. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Looking from landing of  
North Stair thru Bath  
(now demolished) into  
Wicker Room. Note two  
steps up to wing and  
wood exterior wall.



P. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Looking into former  
middle bedroom (now  
bath). Note millwork  
and 6/6 rear window.

Q. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Dormer and Knee wall  
space in Barrister Room  
(1790) note floor  
boards exceeding 12"  
wide.

R. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
First Floor, North Stair,  
Foyer of original house  
notice iron hardware on  
Kitchen addition entrance  
note hand hewn walnut  
rail and newel post.

S. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
First Floor, Victorian  
Room looking toward  
mantel and chain rail,  
. . 3" floor boards  
were added during the  
Victorian renovation.

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T. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
First Floor, Victorian  
Room showing 2/2  
windows facing Market  
Street added during  
"Victorian" remodeling.



U. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Kitchen area.



V. 104 E. Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland  
December, 1984  
Kitchen area.